

Our ref: DML/52AVR/Lttr/02

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Dear Max,

Re: Further Investigation into Tree Condition Findings at 52-54 Avenue Road, NW8

I write following the recent further investigations undertaken into the condition of the silver maple T6 at the above site. I have attached our report detailing the findings of these investigations which were undertaken in order to correctly inform the management of the tree. In summary, the tree has a cavity at its base with decay continuing at depth and into the roots. The extent of visible decay is of concern: although the tree's condition may not warrant immediate felling on grounds of health and safety alone, there are clear implications for its safe useful life expectancy, suggesting either felling and replacing now or maintaining under intensive management.

In planning terms, the attached report confirms the tree should be categorised as being of low / poor quality (C / U category) given the overall prognosis of reduced (<10-20 years) useful life expectancy. As such, it does not pose a significant constraint to development of the site. In fact, one could argue that given the short remaining useful life expectancy of the tree, development of the site offers the opportunity to secure

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betterment of long-term canopy cover via replacement planting: pre-empting a forthcoming management decision.
I trust the above provides sufficient information at this time.
Yours sincerely
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